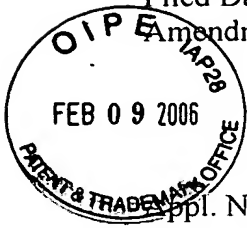


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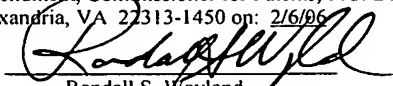
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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office communication mailed herein on 10/05/2005, please amend the above-identified as follows:

Amendments to the Claims – page 2 following;

Remarks/Arguments – page 4 following.

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